

Government  
censorship and  
support for  
particular  
point-of-views is  
unconstituional. The  
public airwaves  
belong to the  
citizens and are  
licensed to private  
companies by the  
government. I  
believe Sinclair  
Broadcasting's  
decision to force  
their stations to  
air an anti-Kerry  
documentary days  
before the election  
violates the  
citizen's rights to  
have public airwaves  
devoid of governemtn  
sanctioned and  
enabled censorship  
or politicval  
progaanda.

This is what happens  
when your commission  
allows media  
consolidation.

Sinclair uses the  
public airwaves free  
of charge, and is  
obligated by law to  
serve the public  
interest. But when  
large companies  
control the  
airwaves, we get  
more of what's good  
for the bottom line  
and less of what we  
need for our  
democracy. Instead  
of something  
produced at "News  
Central" far away,  
it's more important  
that we see real  
people from our own  
communities and more  
substantive news  
about issues that  
matter.

Sinclair's actions  
show why we need to  
strengthen media  
ownership rules, not  
weaken them. They  
show why the license  
renewal process

needs to involve  
more than a returned  
postcard. Thank you.